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MAYOR PEREZ SUPPORTS COURT ACTION FOR EQUAL AND ADEQUATE EDUCATION IN CT

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WHAT: News Conference

WHEN: Tuesday, November 22, 2005 at Noon

WHERE: Legislative Office Building (LOB) Room 2E, Hartford

The Connecticut Coalition for Justice in Education Funding (CCJEF) will announce that a lawsuit is being filed against the State of the Connecticut. The complaint alleges the state fails to adequately fund public schools.

Mayor Eddie Perez says, "Education is the great equalizer in our society. That is why it is important to level the playing field in how public education is supported. The formula must be changed. We cannot have cities and towns bearing the brunt of the cost. The state must step up to the plate and pull its weight. If that means a court fight, then I'll fight for the students of Hartford and Connecticut any day."

For more information on the Mayor's role, contact Sarah Barr, Director of Communications at (860) 522-4888 x6217.

For more information on the lawsuit, contact Dianne deVries with CCJEF at (860) 461-0320.